Water Recedes Near Mishicot

Boat Used to Evacuate Four Village Families

Sandbag Dam; Dynamite Experts Ready for Action

Clearing skies and a sharp drop in temperature to below the freezing mark called a halt to rising Manitowoc County waters and the crest of the flood passed during the supper hour Monday. Within minutes the river level began to fall in both the East and the West Twin Rivers, dropping a matter of nine inches before midnight and then declining rapidly.

Rising flood waters and run-off waters from nearby terrain in the Village of Mishicot may have been indirectly responsible for the death of a pioneer Mishicot resident.

George W. Schmidt, 75, retired business man, was killed in an explosion and fire in his home at noon Monday. A short circuit in a sump pump caused a fire believed to have touched off the explosion in an oil fired furnace adjacent to the sump pump in the basement.